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Upon Friday October the 19, The Major Generall gave out Orders for the ſeverall Regiments in the army, to move towards the place apointed for its Randiſuous, but by reaſon of the badneſſe of the weather, it could not meet before Munday the 28. of the ſame moneth. When the whole armie of horſe and foot met, and were drawne up in a plaine about two miles from Langhorne Caſtle, the numbers of both horſe and foot were about 2000. of Foot, *viz*. The Generalls Regiment, Colonell *Kilmady* his Regiment: Colonell *Beales* Regiment. And the horſe the Major Generalls Troope, and a Troope of horſe and a companie of Dragoones, of the Major of Pembrookes, and Colonell *Sheffields* Regiment.

This night the army was quartered within a mile of the Caſtle, But before I tell you of the action of the whole army, I will give you the ſucceſſe of a party of horſe commanded by the Major Generall himſelfe who were drawne out on Saturday the 26. of October to view the Caſtle, their number was but 60. they were charged by the like number of Horſe, of the enemies, from the caſtle, they were gallantly received by our horſe, and ſoone repulſed, preſently was taken a Lieutenant, and a Corner ſlaine, 7 Troopers with 14 horſe, a Lieutenant of theirs was ſlaine, we had onely one wounded but not very dangerouſly, a Gentleman of good worth and valour, Major *Philips*. Thus God gave us an earneſt of further ſucceſſe. Tueſday 29. of October, our

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army was drawne up on a plaine mountaine in the face of Langhorne Caſtle, the Major Generall ſummond it, there anſwer was peremptorie, and reſolute: preſently he commanded out a party of 200. Muskets under Captine *Sloman* to take poſſeſſion of the towne and Church, in three or four houres, they had not onely gained the towne, but approachad very nigh the Caſtle, poſſeſſing all the houſes adjoyning to it, about on of the clock the Major Generall ſent downe another partie of about 200 Muſkets, and with them his Guns, commanding the Gunners, to make battery againſt the Gatehouſe of the Caſtle, but it was at ſuch a diſtance that the ſhot tooke little effect, this night the reſt of the army were commanded backe to their quarters, about a mile from the Caſtle. The next morning we marched to quarter about the Caſtle, in our March we ſpied two bodies of horſe, of the enemies upon an high hill, in ſight both of army, and the Caſtle; The Major Generall ſent out parties of Horſe to Intercept any incurſions upon us, and cauſed the foot alſo to be drawn up in their full view, we heard no more of them, this night we went into the town, every one receiving their quartes, we took the town gate, which did much pleaſure us for battery againſt the caſtles gatehouſe, our Major Gene-Generall drew out a good party of Horſe, and this day faced Carmarthen the chiefe hold of the Enemy in theſe parts, they returned without any oppoſition, he did it the rather in regard of their threats to raiſe our ſiege, our guns played hard this day, and night, the next day alſo: this day we attempted to fire the gate-houſe but could not. On ſatturday the Major Generall called a councell of Warre to conſider what farther to doe, ſeeing all our paſt endeavours tooke ſuch little effect upon the caſtle. It was concluded that this night we ſhould fall upon the gatehouſe and a Forte: which two places was the ſtrength of the caſtle and was anſwerably maintained by the Enemy, and for that end, orders was ſent out, 200. choſen men under three Captaines being allotted to make the aſſault.

The Captaines their names was captaine *Floyd*, Captaine *Sloman*, and Captaine Lieutenant *Srindy*, all the reſt of the Army alſo was drawen out for their ſeconds, every commander attending their ſeverall duties according to orders received, about a 11. of the clocke this night, which was a very light night, they fell on, they ſoone gained their and our hopes, both the Forte, and the gatehouſe; but ſtayed not there, but went on to the very walls of the caſtle: I dare ſay, ſeldome was there ſeen a greater readineſſe and ſtoutneſſe either

either in Officers, or ſouldiers; then amongſt theſe after two or three houres very hot and deſperate ſervice they in the caſtle beat for a parley, it was granted.

They ſent out Major Aſſworth to treat there, tearmes were, high to march away with bag and baggadge, colours flying, The Major Generall ſoon diſpatch him back with his reſolution, that they ſhould only be free in their perſons, and ſhould deliver up their Armes and what ever elſe was in the caſtle, and gave them a peremptory time to returne their anſwer, they did long debate the buſineſſe before they accepted of the Major Generals offer. About ſeven of the clock the next morning being the ſabbath, your Generall tooke poſſeſſion of the caſtle, he tooke 160. Armes, two guns, a Sacker and a minion, two or three murthering peeces three barrels and an halfe of powder, and 5co. weight of ſmall ſhot there was good ſtore of butter, corne, cheeſe and bear, very littell benefit to the ſouldier contrary to their hopes, who expected large plunder: There was in the caſtle, Lieutenant Collonel *Ruſſell*, the owner and governour of it. Major, *Aſſworth* a citizen captaine *Hinton*, and captaine *Fitz*, and about 200. common ſouldiers, they marched to Carmarthen. Its very obſervable we had very faire weather, all the while we lay before the caſtle, and the time we fell on in, by the very Enemy themſelves was confeſſed to be the only time for the gaining of the caſtle: They expecting the next day reliefe. And indeed the very morning we tooke the caſtle, it was informed that the Enemy was upon his march towards us, whereupon we preſently marched out to meet them, they no ſooner ſaw us but ranne away, this caſtle is a very ſtrong caſtle, and was one of the holds from whence our forces and the country received the greateſt annoyance the Enemy had another ſtrong Garriſon called Clogaveraine, above foure miles from Langhorne, the which the next day after we had taken the caſtle they utterly demolliſh, burning the houſe downe to the ground and ſlieghting the works we loſt in all about ten men and had wounded about thirty, wee took nigh twenty priſoners, how many we ſlew we know not, but ſure I am great execution was done in the caſtle, Captaine *Hinton*, that was left behinde wounded reports, the Enemy will endeavour to meet us in the field about Carmarthen, he confeſſed that they are not above 1200. Horſe and foot, and if once they are foyled, all muſt be given for loſt.

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A Conciſe Journall,

Or Diarie Relation of Paſſages, ſince the Order for the Advance of the Armie, rayſed in the Conntie of Pembroke under the Command of the Honourable, Major Generall *Langhorne*, by the ſpeciall aſsiſtance of the Right Worſhipfull, Captaine *Richard Swanley*, Admirall of the *Friſh* Seas, Ordered in a Squadron of Ships; in ſervice of King and Parliament for the Guard of that Coaſt, and parts of *Freland*, in due obedience to the State, *viz.*

CAptaine *Richard Swanley*, Admirall arived the ninth of September, being of the Committee for the Ne-Negotiating the affaires of the Countie of Pembrokeſhire: In diſcharge of his duty, and great truſt, importuned a preſent full meeting of the Committee to deliberate upon the ſtate of the Countie, that the common good, which unreſerved, Impartiall Indgemen, with candor might take place, whereupon ſeverall meetings had, and obſtructions not admitting action, As advance money, Ordnance, Armes, Ammunition, with Clothes for the Souldiers, Sir *Thomas Middleton*, and Colonell *Maſſey*, with two ſeverall parties, In places far diſtante, having entred, and infeſted parte of the Dominion of Wales with good ſucceſſe, and that pollicie of ſtate and War, Invited to Acti-

tion, and gallantrie, to withdrawn the adjacent Forces from their ingagements againſt them, and to ſeize on all oppertunities to compleate the great worke in Agetation; preſt to conſideration that if mony were not raiſed, to give life and action to the ſouldiers, they deſervedly contracted the ſad reſentments, of the poor inhabitants dayly prayed on, by the Enemy, and expreſt in fact, his forwardneſſe, lending of his owne Eſtate, 200. l. Vpon the publike Faith, to invite them to open their hands, the which with continuate care, and toyle of him, further furniſhing them with men, Ordnance, Armes, and Ammunition with clothes for the ſouldiers of the States propertie.

IT was ordered by the Major Generall (whoſe Innate genuin diſpoſition moues to Action and Honour,) the 19. of September that the ſeverall Regiments, in his Army ſhould march to the place of Randezuous, and foule weather and floods prevented till the 25. At which time two miles from Langhorne Caſtle the Army muſtered conſiſted of abour 2500. Horſe and Foot, who were quartered within a mile of the ſaid Caſtle, 26. the Generall drew out a partie of 60. Horſe, and went himſelfe to view the Caſtle, who were charged by a like number from the Enemy, and gallantly received, who were ſoone forced to a diſorderly retreat where a Lieutenant and Cornet of the adverſe part, were taken priſoners with foure horſes, and ſeven troopers ſlaine, and but one of our men hurt, 29. the Caſtle ſommoned, and a peremtory returne rendred, 200. Muſketteers under valliant & deſerving commanders, were deſigned to take poſſeſſion of the towne and Church, which was gained with proſperous ſucceſſe, and their approaches made neere to the gatehouſe of the Caſtle, ſeizing on the houſes not fare diſtance that night, planted their Artillery, and began the Batterie againſt the gatehouſe of the Caſtle, the next morning the Enemy ſhewed themſelves in two Battallias on a hill, in view of the Army and Caſtle, the Generall commanded a partie of horſe to entertaine them, and juſtifie the place, till the Army might be drawne up, upon which the Enemy faced about, and acquited the ground, in the morning following our men tooke the towne gate, which much favoured our Battery againſt the gatehouſe, and

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that day a good party of horſe under the conduct of the Generall faced Carmarthen, who returned without oppoſition, and the day following attempts were made to fire the gatehouſe, which took no place. On Saterday the Generall called a Councell of Warre, where was concluded that a partie that night, ſhould fall upon the gatehouſe, and the foot wherein the ſtrength of the Caſtle conſiſted, which was accordly performed, and after two or three houres of hot and deſperate ſervice, where the Commanders, and ſouldiers, gallantly demeaned themſelves, gained both, with great execution on the Enemy, and advanced to the walls of the Caſtle, upon which the partie in oppoſition beat up a parly, whereon a quarter was given only for their lives, to depart without armes, where two great guns, three murtherers, 160. Foot, armes, three barrells and a halfe of powder, 500. waight of ſmall ſhot, with great ſtore of proviſions were taken; And in the Caſtle was Lieutenant Collonel *Ruſſell*, the Owner, and Governour; Major *Alſworth*, Captaine *Hincon*, who was dangerouſly hurt, and Captaine *Fittz*, with about 200. common ſouldiers, who all marched to Carmarthen (except Captaine *Hincon* whoſe wounds laid him by the Lee) the Enemy had another ſtrong hold called clogovarane about 4. miles diſtance, the which they preſently demoliſhed, burning what was combuſtable, and ſleighting their workes. Our partie loſt in the ſervice ten men, and had about thirty hurt, and tooke twenty priſoners and killed about forty, Captain *Hincon* wounded as aforeſaid, remaining in the Caſtle, reports that the Enemy will take the field, and about Carmarthen give us Battell, and ſaith they are not above 1200. horſe and foot, and if they be waſted, all muſt be rendred for loſt: Our Army are now preparing for their march to Carmarthen, and after the reducing of that place, with Gods aſſiſtance will in ſhort time be able to force a paſſage to Sir *Thomas Middleton*. To God be aſcribed the glory and praiſe of his mercies.

Richard Swanley.

This is entred into the Hall Book according to Order of Parliament.

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